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SUBJECT: EC'S SCHEME FOR DISPOSAL OF NFDM

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1. UPON RECEIPT REFTEL, EMBASSY AGAIN APPROACHED MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) AND MINISTRY AGRICULTURE (MA) TO RE-EMPHASIZE CONTINUING USG OPPOSITION TO EC PROGRAM TO DISPOSE OF NON-FAT DRY MILK (NFDM) SURPLUS.

2. MFA REP FUXA (DIRECTOR, EC/GATT AFFAIRS) SAID HE FULLY AWARE OF CONTINUED USG OPPOSITION TO COMMISSION PROPOSAL AND, DESPITE WHAT COMMISSION REPS MAY HAVE INDICATED, MFA HAD NO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RPT NO DOUBTS THAT MOST RECENT COMMISSION PROPOSAL UNACCEPT-

ABLE TO USG. FUXA INDICATED GOI REMAINS OPPOSED TO LATEST COMMISSION PROPOSAL FOR REASONS STATED REFTEL (B).

3. MA REP DAL SASSO ASKED IF USG HAD NOT BEEN MILLIFIED BY THE AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR EC STORAGE OF SOYBEANS AND A DECLARATION THAT SOY-BEAN IMPORTS WOULD NOT BE REDUCED. EMBOFF REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE ALONG LINES REFTEL (A). DAL SASSO PROMISED INFORM DI CHIO (DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR AGRICULTURAL POLICY) OF UN-CHANGED USG POSITION PRIOR TO LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR BRUSSELS ON MARCH 1.

4. COMMENT. DAL SASSO'S REACTION INDICATES THAT SOMEONE-- PROBABLY FROM EC COMMISSION -- HAS SPREAD THE WORD THAT LATEST VERSION OF COMMISSION PROPOSAL FOR DISPOSAL OF NFDM SURPLUS IS NOW ACCEPTABLE TO USG. BEAUDRY

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